

State Water Resources Control Board

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(Via email and Certified Mail)
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**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION; UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEMS
LOCATED AT AAFES GAS STATION, GENERAL JIM MOORE BOULEVARD,
BUILDING 4220, SEASIDE**

Dear Ms. Leisten:

As part of an initiative by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to ensure compliance at government-owned and/or operated underground storage tank (UST) facilities in California, the State Water Board staff inspected the UST(s) at your facility on January 17, 2019, pursuant to authority under Health and Safety Code (H&SC), chapter 6.7, section 25289.

The State Water Board has identified the following violations pursuant to H&SC, chapter 6.7, and California Code of Regulations (CCR), title 23, chapter 16:

No.	Violation	Tank	Start Date	Stop Date	Regulation
1	Failure to Perform Overfill Prevention Equipment Inspection – The overfill prevention equipment inspection demonstrating overfill equipment will activate at the required level was due on October 13, 2018.	All	October 14, 2018	Ongoing	23 CCR 2637.2 (a)(1)
2	Failure to meet Monthly Designated Operator (DO) Inspections Requirements – The DO monthly report dated October 17, 2018, was not recorded on the new “Designated Underground Storage Tank Operator Visual Inspection Report.”	All	November 1, 2018	November 1, 2018	2716(c)

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3	Failure to Perform DO Inspections – The DO inspection recorded on December 18, 2018, was not performed within 30 days of the previous DO inspection recorded on November 16, 2018.	All	December 17, 2018	December 18, 2018	2716(a)
4	Failure to Maintain Operating Permit Onsite – A copy of the current operating permit was not available at the time of inspection.	All	January 17, 2019	January 24, 2019	H&SC 25284(a); 23 CCR 2712(i)
5	Failure to Monitor Product Piping – The sensor located inside the turbine sump was not at the lowest point in the sump, preventing it from detecting a leak at the earliest opportunity.	Tanks 1 & 2	January 31, 2019	Ongoing	23 CCR 2630(d)
6	Failure to Tag Monitoring Equipment – A current monitor certification tag was not affixed to the mechanical line leak detector at the time of inspection.	Tanks 1 & 2	January 31, 2019	Ongoing	23 CCR 2638(f)
7	Failure to Maintain Tank Information – In CERS, under tank description, tank configuration lists “one in a compartmented unit”; however, it should list “stand-alone” tank and number of compartments should list “one” (Tank 1 only). Under tank construction, primary containment lists “other”; however, it should list “steel”. Also, under overfill protection, fill tube shut off valve should list “yes.” In addition, corrosion protection lists “no” for isolation; however, it should list “yes.” Under fill components installed, striker plate lists “no”; however, it should list “yes.” Lastly, the contents for tank 3 should list “premium unleaded.”	All	January 31, 2019	Ongoing	H&SC 25286(a); 23 CCR 2711(a)

You are directed to correct the ongoing violations and submit compliance documentation to the State Water Board and Monterey County Health Department within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter. Have your DO make specific notations in the next monthly DO report indicating the ongoing violations have been corrected. The monthly DO report and any associated photos must be submitted as proof of compliance. In addition, the premium unleaded turbine sump and several under dispenser containers must be free of liquid and debris.

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Please send all compliance documentation to the following:

State Water Board

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Office of Enforcement
State Water Resources Control Board
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Local CUPA

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Pursuant to Health and Safety Code, chapter 6.7, section 25299, the owner and operator of the tank(s) are liable for a penalty of \$500 to \$5,000 per tank, per day of violation. These penalties will continue to accrue until the violations have been corrected.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 341-5891, or by email at matthew.buffleben@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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